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TO AMEMBASSY CONAKRY IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: SOVIET ACTIVITIES IN CONAKRY

REF: CONAKRY 1617

1. IN ADDITION WIRELESS FILE ITEM CITED REFTEL, OCT. 31
NEW YORK TIMES CARRIED REPORT CNO'S BRIEFING. ACCORDING
TIMES, HOLLOWAY SUGGESTED ONE OF WEAKNESSES SOVIET NAVY
IS THAT ITS SHIPS GENERALLY DESIGNED OPERATE CLOSE TO
BASES. QUOTE. TO A CERTAIN EXTENT, HE SAID, SOVIET NAVY
IS COMPENSATING FOR THIS WEAKNESS BY USING FOREIGN
FACILITIES, SUCH AS CUBA AND CONAKRY IN WESTERN AFRICA.
END QUOTE.

2. AS FAR AS WE CAN DETERMINE, EMBASSY IS CORRECT IN
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ASSUMING THERE NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN NATURE AND LEVEL

OF SOVIET PATROL OF GUINEAN WATERS SINCE 1971.

3. PRESS REPORTS OF HOLLOWAY BRIEFING ARE CORRECT. IF SUBJECT RAISED WITH YOU, WE LEAVE TO YOUR DISCRETION HOW TO PLACE CNO'S COMMENTS IN PROPER PERSPECTIVE. IN OUR VIEW, ADMIRAL HOLLOWAY'S STATEMENT SHOULD BE PLACED IN CONTEXT OF HOW HE SEES AND REPORTS UPON HIS GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY TO TRY MAKE CERTAIN U.S. NAVY HAS SHIPS AND FACILITIES IT NEEDS TO CARRY OUT ASSIGNED MISSION.

HIS REFERENCE TO SOVIET NAVY OPERATING OUT OF CONAKRY SIMPLY TOUCHES ON SITUATION WE HAVE BEEN AWARE OF FOR SOMETIME. REFERENCE TO SOVIET USE OF FACILITIES AT CONAKRY, CIENFUEGOS AND THREE PORTS IN INDIAN OCEAN WERE IN CONTEXT POINTING OUT IMPORTANCE TO US OF REFUELING AND ANCHORING FACILITIES IN DIEGO GARCIA. INGERSOLL

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